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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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JIM McDONNELL, SHERIFF



January 12, 2016

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
QUARTERLY REPORT BACK ON CONTRACT COMPLIANCE STATUS FOR
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY OFFENDER MONITORING SYSTEM**

At the September 10, 2013, Board meeting, the Sheriff was requested to provide contract compliance and program updates for the Los Angeles County Offender Monitoring System (LACOMS) as provided by Sentinel Offender Services, LLC (Sentinel). The September 15, 2015, report back letter specified that the report backs would be quarterly (January, April, July, and October). The status of the program is outlined below:

- Since the last report of September 15, 2015, the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (Department) has placed a total of 43 inmates into community based treatment service centers and has positioned 134 inmates at patrol stations as inmate workers, utilizing Global Positioning System (GPS) and Radio Frequency (RF) technology provided in accordance with the terms of the LACOMS contract.
- The LACOMS program is currently monitoring 43 treatment service center participants and 97 inmate workers assigned to the Department's patrol stations.
- Sentinel continues to provide exceptional customer service and has met all requirements of the contract.
- On September 23, 2015, a female who absconded from a treatment service center on June 15, 2015, was returned to custody. She was charged with escape and will remain in the Department's custody until November, 2016.

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- On December 24, 2015, a female who absconded from a treatment service center on June 26, 2015, was re-arrested by the Los Angeles Police Department for check fraud. She was additionally charged with escape from the treatment service center and will remain in the Department's custody until both cases are adjudicated.

During the Fourth Quarter there have been three program absconds. The circumstances surrounding the absconds are outlined below:

- On October 5, 2015, a medium risk female, who was incarcerated for grand theft, walked away from a treatment service center. Prior to the abscond, the inmate was advised by treatment center staff that she would be returned to custody for failing to follow program rules. The inmate stated she was not going back to jail. Moments later, the inmate exited the front door, removed the electronic monitor from her ankle, and discarded it a short distance away from the facility. Sentinel and personnel from the treatment center made immediate notification to the Department regarding her abscond. Deputies promptly responded and searched the area for the inmate; however, they were unable to locate her. A report documenting the incident was written and the case was assigned to the Department's Major Crimes Bureau for investigation.
- On October 8, 2015, a low risk male inmate, who was incarcerated for taking a vehicle without the owner's consent, walked away from a station jail after cutting off his electronic monitor. Sentinel immediately notified jail personnel of the tamper alert; however, the inmate managed to leave the facility without being detected. He was re-arrested 12 days after he walked away from the station jail and was returned to custody. He was charged and convicted of escape and will remain incarcerated until August, 2016.
- On October 11, 2015, a low risk female, who was incarcerated for grand theft, walked away from a treatment service center. The inmate slipped the electronic monitor off of her ankle, placed it on her bed, and fled the treatment service center. The facility notified Sentinel, who then notified Department personnel of her abscond status. Deputies immediately responded and searched the area for the inmate; however, they failed to locate her. A report documenting the incident was written and the case was assigned to the Department's Major Crimes Bureau for investigation.
- The program has a total of four female inmates on abscond status. The Department's Major Crimes Bureau is actively investigating all leads in an effort to return the absconders to custody.

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Should you have any questions, please contact Chief Eric G. Parra, Custody Services Division, General Population, at (213) 893-5017.

Sincerely,



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